

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION



August 17, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPT A RESOLUTION ASSIGNING TO THE LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS THE COUNTY'S RIGHT TO APPLY FOR FUNDING FOR THE SAYBROOK PARK PLAY AREA PROJECT UNDER THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1996 (First District — 3-Vote Matter)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Adopt the attached resolution assigning to the Los Angeles Conservation Corps (LACC) the County's right to apply for \$80,000 of per parcel discretionary funds allocated to the County in the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (the 1996 Proposition) for the renovation of the play area at Saybrook Park.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the LACC to apply for \$80,000 of the County's per parcel discretionary funds allocated under the 1996 Proposition for projects in the First Supervisorial District to renovate the play area at Saybrook Park.

The LACC had previously obtained a separate "First Five" grant for the installation of play equipment for 2 to 5 year olds at Saybrook Park. The Department independently was planning to replace the other play equipment for 5 to 12 year olds and renovate the play area surfacing in the near future. The Department has determined that the public would be better served if all the renovations to the play area occurred at the same time so that public use of the play area is impacted only once and compatible play equipment would be used. The Department then contacted the LACC about doing the additional work and LACC agreed.

The assignment of the right to apply for the funding will allow LACC to enter into a grant agreement directly with the Regional Park and Open Space District (the District) to fund the additional improvements and to receive reimbursement directly from the District.

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Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The proposed recommendation furthers County Strategic Plan Goal 1 (Service Excellence), Goal 4 (Fiscal Responsibility), Goal 5 (Children and Families' Well-being) and Goal 6 (Community Service) by enabling the LACC to upgrade play equipment at Saybrook Park, thereby enhancing play opportunities for children in the First Supervisorial District.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This action will have no impact on the County General Fund as the project is funded by per parcel discretionary funds allocated to the County for projects in the First Supervisorial District under the 1996 Proposition.

Sufficient funds are appropriated in the District's Assessment Fund, HB4, under Other Charges to enter into the grant agreement with the LACC.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The 1996 Proposition allocated funds to the County for discretionary projects on a per parcel basis. Under the provisions of the 1996 Proposition, agencies receiving per parcel discretionary funds were required to encumber the funds by June 30, 2001. After June 30, 2001, the District's Board must approve the allocation or re-allocation of these funds. In a related item on the District's agenda, the District is recommending that your Board approve the allocation of these funds to the Saybrook Park Play Area Project.

County Counsel has reviewed this action as to form.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Adoption of the resolution is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility this action will have a significant effect on the environment (CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b) (3)).

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES OR PROJECTS

Approval of the recommendation will not impact any other services or any current or planned projects but will allow for the renovation of the play area at Saybrook Park to be done in the most expeditious manner with the least disruption to public use.

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CONCLUSION

Please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return one conformed copy of this action to the Chief Administrative Office, Capital Projects Division, and to return three conformed copies to the Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Guiney Interim Director

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Attachment (1)

c: Chief Administrative Officer

Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors (22)

County Counsel

COUNTY ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHT TO APPLY FOR FUNDS FOR THE SAYBROOK PARK PLAY AREA PROJECT PURSUANT TO SECTION (3), SUBSECTION (c), PARAGRAPH (1) OF THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1996

WHEREAS, the County, under Section (3), Subsection (c), Paragraph 1 of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 was allocated funds on a per parcel basis; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that it is in the County's interest to assign the County's right to apply for the funds to the Los Angeles Conservation Corps for the purpose of replacing play equipment and providing appropriate surfacing at the play area at Saybrook Park; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Conservation Corps will submit an application to the Regional Park and Open Space District to obtain a grant for the above-referenced project:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors hereby:

Assigns to the Los Angeles Conservation Corps the County's right to apply for \$80,000 of Per Parcel Discretionary funds for implementation of the Saybrook Park Play Area Project.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on the _____ day of ______, 2004, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, Agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

VIOLET VARONA-LUKENS, Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles

By ______
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM: OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

By Helen S. Parker, Principal Deputy